Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senator Ken Salazar, of Colorado, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate.

Senator Hillary Clinton, of New York, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S673-S732

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 282–295, and S. Res. 18–19.

Measures Passed:

Majority Party Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 18, making majority party appointments to certain Senate committees for the 111th Congress.

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Minority Party Appointments: Senate agreed to S. Res. 19, making minority party appointments for the 111th Congress. Page S730

Measures Considered:

Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 181, to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, and to modify the operation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to clarify that a discriminatory compensation decision or other practice that is unlawful under such Acts occurs each time compensation is paid pursuant to the discriminatory compensation decision or other practice, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Hutchison Amendment No. 25, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S693–96, S698–S712

Specter Amendment No. 26, to provide a rule of construction.

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Specter Amendment No. 27, to limit the application of the bill to discriminatory compensation decisions.

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Enzi Amendment No. 28, to clarify standing.

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Enzi Amendment No. 29, to clarify standing.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 22, 2009, and that there be up to 60 minutes of debate equally divided and controlled between Senators Hutchison and Mikulski, or their designees, relative to Hutchison Amendment No. 25 (listed above), prior to a vote on or in relation to the amendment; provided further, that there be no amendments in order to Hutchison Amendment No. 25 prior to the vote.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 94 yeas 2 nays (Vote No. EX. 6), Hillary Rodham Clinton, of New York, to be Secretary of State.

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: Pages \$727-29

Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page \$729

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—6) Page S693

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 7:49 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$732.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FISCAL CHALLENGES

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine addressing short-and long-term fiscal challenges, after receiving testimony from Alice M. Rivlin, Brookings Institution, and Robert D. Reischauer, and Rudolph G. Penner, both of the Urban Institute, all of Washington, DC.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ray LaHood, to be Secretary of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Durbin and former Representative Michel, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be Secretary of the Treasury, after

the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Schumer and Paul Volcker, former Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Susan E. Rice, to be Permanent Representative to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and to be Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative to the United Nations.

FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing on the financial crisis and financial governance, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, Government Accounting Office; Howell E. Jackson, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Steven M. Davidoff, University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 611–625; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 24; and H. Res. 74–77 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative DeGette to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 74, electing the following Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on Agriculture: Representatives Holden, McIntyre, Boswell, Baca, Cardoza, Scott (GA), Marshall, Herseth Sandlin, Cuellar, Costa, Ellsworth, Walz, Gillibrand, Kagen, Schrader, Halvorson, Dahlkemper, Massa, Bright, Markey (CO), Kratovil, Schauer, Kissell, Boccieri, Pomeroy, Childers, and Minnick. Committee on the Budget: Representatives Schwartz, Kaptur, Becerra, Doggett, Blumenauer, Berry, Boyd, McGovern, Tsongas, Etheridge, McCollum, Melancon, Yarmuth, Andrews, DeLauro, Ed-

wards (TX), Scott (VA), Langevin, Larsen (WA), Bishop (NY), Moore (WI), Connolly (VA), and Schrader. Committee on Education and Labor: Representatives Kildee, Payne, Andrews, Scott (VA), Woolsey, Hinojosa, McCarthy (NY), Kucinich, Wu, Holt, Davis (CA), Grijalva, Bishop (NY), Sestak, Loebsack, Hirono, Altmire, Hare, Clarke, Courtney, Shea-Porter, Fudge, Polis (CO), Tonko, Pierluisi, Sablan, and Titus. Committee on Affairs: Representatives Foreign Ackerman, Faleomavaega, Payne, Sherman, Wexler, Engel, Delahunt, Meeks (NY), Watson, Smith (WA), Carnahan, Sires, Connolly (VA), McMahon, Tanner, Gene Green (TX), Jackson-Lee (TX), Lee (CA), Berkley, Crowley, Ross, Miller (NC), Scott (GA), Costa, Ellison, Giffords, and Klein (FL). Committee on the Judiciary: Representatives Berman, Boucher, Nadler (NY), Scott (VA), Watt, Zoe Lofgren (CA), Jackson-Lee (TX), Waters, Delahunt, Wexler, Cohen, Johnson (GA), Pierluisi, Gutierrez, Sherman, Baldwin, Gonzalez, Weiner, Schiff, Linda T. Sánchez (CA), Wasserman Schultz, and Maffei. Committee on Nat-Resources: Representatives Faleomavaega, Abercrombie, Pallone, Napolitano, Holt, Grijalva, Bordallo, Costa, Boren, Sablan,